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Small affairs are sometimes the most important. It is the little annoyances and the little troubles that make life miserable; and, unfortunately, an aggregate of minor pleasures may make the sum of human happiness. Of the numerous little worries incidental to contact with the Chinese, perhaps most people would confess that the attitude of the rishia coolie or chair coolie on receiving his dole is the most persistently annoying and noticeable. There may be human pachyderms who can turn a deaf ear to the mutterings of the discontented fellow who has not received more than ten cents over his legal fare, and who can move away with a mind serene; but the majority of those who make use of these public vehicles are, we fancy, more sensitive. Apart altogether from such a consideration, there is the awkward question of small change, of which the supply always seems shortest when it is most in request, namely, when the passenger is deposited at the door of his or her domicile. This lack of subsidiary currency often leads to too excessive payment of the carrying coolie, which is a bad thing on two counts. It is no inconsiderable tax on the expenditure of those who use them regularly; and it has the effect of increasing the avarice of the tribe, and of, unofficially, raising the tariff. This, of small importance to some of us, may well be a hardship on numerous families who have to make many ends meet on moderate means. Discount again all these

reasons, the facts still remain that in the public interest, tariffs are legally fixed; that the coolie never fails to take advantage of any uncertainty or indecision shown by his fare; and that those members of the public who do know and remember what is due, are often not in a position to profit by that knowledge without inconvenience and annoyance. If a remedy were attainable, by means not out of proportion to the complaint, would not the public be pleased to welcome it? The answer may be taken for granted by the Colonial Government, if it consider the subject at all worthy its august attention. There is a remedy, for which it is not necessary to go further than Shanghai. Very little trouble indeed, and no expense at all, would be incurred by the Government if it were to adopt the system in vogue in the northern port, of issuing tickets with which to pay the rishia and chair coolies. The Municipal Council of the Model Settlement sells books containing tickets of various denominations, which are accepted without question by the coolies, and afterwards redeemed by special employees of the Council at their face value. They take up little room in the pocket, and as they cannot be used for other purposes, the purchaser is less likely to run out of them than he is of small change. The public pays a small premium over the face value, in return for the convenience. For instance, with eight hundred and forty cash to the dollar, the purchaser pays a dollar for a little book containing thirty-two tickets worth twenty-four cash each to the coolie to whom he may hand them in payment. In Hongkong, this department would not be troubled with any of the difficulties caused by fluctuations in exchange. The economically minded members of the public, figuring the amounts paid in excess of what they would have spent if they had always had small coins at the right times, would cheerfully pay \$1.20 or some such amount for a book of twenty tickets of five-cent value. It is true that recent municipal returns at Shanghai, which draw our attention to this matter, show a small loss; but it is largely due to the vagaries of exchange. The Colonial accountants would soon be able to calculate what margin should be charged to cover the costs of the small department necessary to work the scheme, which charge would, of course, be wholly paid by the purchaser. It has been noticed that the Shanghai rishia coolie invariably complains when paid in coin; no matter what the amount given him may be; but that he assumes an air of satisfaction, however small, when he is paid in this paper currency. The only case that history records, of a recipient demurring at this form of payment, was at a little card party in Shanghai, where a young gentleman, "cleaned out" at cheap "nap," tried to pay the balance of his indebtedness with the tag end of a rishia ticket book. Such a contingency is not likely to occur in Hongkong, however; and, all things considered, it might be advantageous for Hongkong, in this connection, to take a leaf out of Shanghai's book.

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Foreign capital to the extent of Tls. 2,000,000 has been offered the Kiangsu people for the Kiangsu-Nanchang railway, but it is declining although the people find themselves unable to raise the required sum in native circles. They put themselves, says the *Tientsin Times*, on the fact that so far there is no foreign capital employed in their province.

Dispatches from Baku on January 17 state that the town of Shumakhs had suffered terribly from an earthquake, and the lower part of it was full of ruins, under which hundreds of victims had been buried. Notwithstanding the destruction arrived at after the earthquake at Shumakhs three years ago, that no more houses should be constructed in the lower part of the town, and building operations had continued, and the place was densely inhabited. The population of the town is 20,000.

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TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

RUSSIA.

LONDON, 20th February.
The funeral of the late Grand Duke Sergius will take place on the 23rd instant, and will be practically private. The Tsar and leading members of the Royal family will be absent.

H. M. King Edward and The Prince of Wales have called on Count Benckendorff to express their condolences.

It is stated that the death of the Grand Duke Sergius has had a crushing effect on the Russian Royal family, the Grand Duke Vladimir being terribly affected.

THE ST. PETERSBURG STRIKES.

LONDON, 20th February.
The St. Petersburg commission appointed to examine the grievances of the workmen has issued a most elaborate scheme whereby the employers and workmen will elect delegates on the commission.

THE WAR.

[“DAILY PRESS” SERVICE.]

PEACE IN SIGHT.

SETTLEMENT CONSIDERED PROBABLE

RUSSIAN TERMS PUBLISHED.

LONDON, 22nd February.
The war may soon be over. Russia, discouraged by lack of success hoped for in the north, and impressed by emphatic popular opinion, is reported willing to make terms with Japan.

Renter's Agency informs London papers this morning that the terms to which Russia is prepared to agree are as follows:—

Japan's suzerainty over Corea to be recognised.

Port Arthur and the Liaotung Peninsula to be ceded to Japan.

Vladivostok and the Eastern Chinese Railway to be neutral port and line.

All Manchuria south of Harbin to be restored to China.

A settlement on these terms, providing Japan consents to a moderate indemnity, is considered probable.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

RUSSIA WANTS WAR ENDED.

LONDON, 20th February.

The *Telegraph's* St. Petersburg correspondent wires that among the highest Russian dignitaries the conviction is growing that it is in the vital interests of the Government and the dynasty, that the war in the East should be ended as soon as possible.

GRIPPENBERG AND KUROPATKIN.

LONDON, 20th February.

General Gripenberg has been favourably received by the Tsar. Influences are working to undermine the position of General Kuropatkin.

BALL AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

The Ball given at Government House may be regarded as the largest held in the Colony this season. Between 1,100 and 1,200 invitations were issued, and the attendance was very large indeed. His Excellency the Governor received the guests in the drawing room, shaking hands with each as they passed through to the Ball room. Dancing was timed to commence at 9.30 but the stream of guests was such that his Excellency was detained quite half an hour, and the programme was prefaced by a couple of "extras."

It was shortly after ten o'clock that the Ball was opened with the State Lancers. The Governor's set was made up of His Excellency and Miss Noel, Admiral Noel and Mrs. Hatton; the Rear-Admiral and Mrs. May; Mr. May and Mrs. Sharp. Sir Henry Berkeley and Mrs. Dioken, Col. Lewis and Lady Berkeley, Commodore Dickson and Mrs. Leslie Stuart, and Capt. Arbutnot Leslie and Miss Berkeley.

Having mentioned the very large attendance it will readily be surmised that the ball room, especially during the earlier part of the evening, was inconveniently crowded. There were twenty dances on the programme which was made up of a dozen waltzes, four lancers and four two-steps.

Dancing was maintained with great spirit to the end of the programme, and the function, admirably managed in every respect, was a great success.

CHINESE CRUELTY.

On Tuesday the accountant of a Chinese shop, No. 140 Queen's Road West, was fined \$202 for being in illicit possession of opium, and the following story was told Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday as a sequel to the fine.

The accountant of the shop before mentioned was in the habit of employing a servant boy from a neighbouring shop to go and procure opium for him. This the Excise officers found out, with the result that the accountant was arrested and fined. He came to the conclusion that the boy, by name Mok Shui, was in the employ of the Excise Officers, and had given the information against him, so sent a foki on Tuesday night last to tell the boy he wanted to see him. Quite unsuspecting, the youth walked into the shop. As soon as he was inside, the accountant closed the door and told him he was going to have a bad time. He was first asked how much he got for supplying the information, and then ordered to hand over \$101, his share of the fine. The boy protested that he had not informed the Excise Officers, but the accountant with five other of the shop's employees, struck him to the ground. They then brutally treated him. The boy was first gagged. His hands and feet were tied together, a pole was run under his knees and placed on the backs of two chairs, and he was suspended therefrom head downwards, and nearly strangled by a handkerchief which they tied round his neck. After a period of this treatment they took him down and asked him to confess, but the boy was unable to speak. One of the men then got hold of a long knife, and threatened to cut him in pieces if he did not tell the truth. As the boy spoke not a word, they placed him in his former position on the rail, for a further term of torture. While in this position an insurance broker called in, and seeing the state of the boy asked the men to release him. They informed the broker that if he did not clear out they would treat him the same, and thereupon hunted him out of the shop. Meantime, the boy's Master, who wanted him to go on an errand, learning that he had called at No. 140 Queen's Road, went there in search of him. He found the shop closed, but on knocking at the door was admitted. In reply to his inquiry as to where the boy was, one of the men said he had been slaughtered, but on going through the house he found him hanging as described in the passage leading to the cookhouse. The master ordered that his boy be released, but he was informed that if he did not get out, he too would be hung up in a similar position. The Master on going out of the shop said "You have nearly killed him, you can now do what you like." He had only gone a few steps when the boy was thrown from the shop door on to the road. He was picked up, placed in a rishia and taken to No. 7, Police Station, where about half an hour elapsed before he could be brought round sufficiently to inform the Police of the facts. The accountant, together with the other five men concerned, were arrested, and at the instance of Inspector Collatt, were yesterday charged before His Worship with assault. In passing sentence Mr. Hazeland said it was the worst case of the kind that had come under his notice since he had been on the bench. He would not allow the defendants the option of a fine, but would sentence each to imprisonment for six months with hard labour, and in lieu of one day of the said imprisonment, six hours' stocks.

JAPANESE MURDERED AT SWATOW.

The friction between the railway authorities and the country people has reached a head, and two Japanese coolies have been murdered at Amoy, eight miles from Swatow. There has been a great deal of misunderstanding as to the right of the Japanese contractors to acquire the necessary land. Houses have been removed or pulled down, and graves destroyed or removed, with a compensation that does not nearly meet the large views of the owners. When land has to be alienated from agricultural uses, or even from uses as dwelling-houses sites in order that an ancestral hall may be built upon it, it is not uncommon to see a dollar paid for every rice clump upon it, sometimes even more. To people expecting such a price the offers of a railway company are bound to bring disappointment. In addition to this, the Japanese coolies engaged upon the embankment for the track have no good reputation and in several cases their conduct towards Chinese women has been outrageous. The result of these causes combined has been a riot, and this loss of life. A body of soldiers, foreign trained, has been brought up from Canton, and investigations are proceeding. Meantime the families of those Japanese who rented houses in Amoy to the Japanese are hiding in the port, and dare not return, as they are regarded as the prime agents in the trouble.—*N.C. Daily News*.

THE MARKING OF FOREIGN GOODS.

The Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, reports the *Standard*, considered Sir Howard Vincent's Bill for the Amendment of the Merchandise Marks Act, substituting the word "imported" for the name of the country of origin in the case of all imported articles. Mr. Farrer, of the Birmingham gun trade, suggested that instead of "imported," the word "foreign" should be used for foreign goods, and "colonial" for goods coming from the colonies. There had been considerable discussion in the gun trade with respect to differential proof marks. The Birmingham and London proof houses had applied to the War Office to grant new rules to bring them up to modern requirements. There was nothing in the word "imported" which would indicate that Belgian arms, bearing English proof marks, imported into the Colonies were not of English make, or that English-made guns were actually made in this country.

The suggested alteration was eventually agreed to. A resolution was adopted approving of the proposed international conference as a means of strengthening the union between all parts of the British Empire. Mr. Harrison Barrow trusted that false hopes would not be encouraged in the Colonies that the conference would result in preferential rates.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB
RACE MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

STEWARDS: His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir Gerard H. U. Noel, K.C.B., C.M.G., His Excellency Major-General Villiers Hutton, C.B., Royal Artillery, Hon. Ashton G. Curzon-Howe, B.N., C.V.O., C.B., Commodore Charles G. Dickson, R.N., Sir Paul Chabot, C.M.G., Mr. A. Babbington, Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Mr. J. A. Jupp, Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Mr. J. C. Pater, Major S. G. Haddock, Mr. E. W. Rutter and Mr. H. F. White.

CLERK OF THE STABLES: Messrs. A. Babbington and E. W. Mitchell.

JUROR: Sir Paul Chabot, C.M.G.

STARTER: Hon. Mr. E. H. May, C.M.G.; Second Starter, Mr. F. H. May.

TICKET CLERK: Mr. J. R. Michael.

HON. TREASURER: Mr. C. W. May.

CLERK OF THE COURSE: Mr. T. F. Hough.

The weather on the Derby day, yesterday, was a great disappointment, and kept many would-be spectators away. There was, however, a good muster. A disagreeable fine rain fell after the second race, rendering umbrellas and rain-coats necessary, and making it somewhat difficult to follow the races. Through the rain then stopped it continued dull and misty. The course was very heavy, greatly to the advantage of the stronger ponies. The band of the Royal West Kent Regiment was again in attendance. H.E. the Governor arrived just in time for the Hongkong Derby. The letting for this race was as follows:

FOR WINNER.	
Pat	36
Cotswold	350
Ledbury	13
Halifax	138
Norman King	258
Lamarque Rose	17
Saxon King	11
Empress of India Rose	12
Total	785
PLACE PONIES.	
Pat	78
Cotswold	464
Ledbury	34
Halifax	280
Norman King	338
Lamarque Rose	63
Saxon King	26
Empress of India Rose	18
Total	1,275

The favorite, Cotswold, won hand-over, and was led in by Mr. Landale amid applause. The Hon. Mr. Gresson, rider, received hearty congratulations. Mr. G. H. Potts had another winner, Prairie King, in the German Cup, the pony paying a dividend of \$33.70. The Gold Cup was won by Ca Canny, its owner, Mr. Johnston, up.

Cromie came in the Professional Cup, paying a dividend of \$56.40. In the Challenge Cup an objection was raised by Mr. Gresson on Ardpatrick, the favorite, against Mr. Vida on Aladdin for jolting him against the rails and knocking his leg out of the stirrup. The objection was over-ruled. Mr. Johnston was thrown from Polka when entering the straight, and fell into the ditch, where luckily, there was some water. He had a nasty fall, nevertheless, bruising his leg, but the injury, fortunately, was not of a very serious nature.

The Paros Cup was won by Highland Chief and the Navy Cup by Norman King. Jungle King came in first in the Racing Stakes.

Results were as follows:—

JOCKEY CUP.—One round. Value \$250; second, \$100; and third, \$50. For China ponies subscription griffins of any season ridden by jockeys who had not won more than two winning mounts previous to this meeting in Hongkong or China. Previous winners were barred. Entrance \$10.

Mr. W. G. Clarke's Alarm, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Gegg)	1
Mr. Medico's High Frequency, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Leslie)	2
Mr. T. S. Forrest's Lanark, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Robertson)	3
Mr. Smith's Forward, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Ingles)	0
Mr. Gates's Ring, 11st 4lb.	(Mr. Rutherford)	0
Mr. Meggie's Caterpillar, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Humphreys)	0
Mr. John Peel's Berkeley, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Johnston)	0

The ponies got an even start, Forward taking the inside position, and falling into the lead with Starling, Caterpillar following in the wake of the bunch. Berkeley fell behind, but gained towards the football stand, where Lanark shot into first place and Forward into second. Starling challenged the second horse, and took its place going up the hill, drawing level with Forward and pacing him neck and neck passing the rock. Lanark then took the lead and Aladdin drew up to the second and overtook the leader just opposite the village. He maintained his position in the straight and cantoned home an easy winner by about 20 lengths. High Frequency ran second with Lanark about a length behind for third. Time 2.4.2/5.

The Pari Mutual paid Alarm \$5.90; High Frequency \$25.60; Lanark \$15; divided \$6.10.

EXCHANGE PLATE.—From the two-mile post once round and in. Value \$1,000. Presented by the bankers and exchange brokers of Hongkong; second, \$150; and third, \$50. For China ponies. Previous winners at this meeting of one race 7 lbs. extra; of two or more races 10 lbs. extra. Griffins were allowed 5 lbs. Subscription griffins were allowed 10 lbs. Unplaced runners were allowed 5 lbs. Entrance \$5.

Mr. G. H. Potts's Heathen King, 11st 11lb.	(Mr. Cumming)	1
Mr. F. B. Marshall's Salem, 10st 7lb.	(Mr. Vida)	2
Mr. Buxey's Coronet Rose, 10st 10lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	3
Mr. Dryadust's Bean Cake, 11st 4lb.	(Mr. Alderton)	0
Mr. Wingard's Algerine, 11st 8lb.	(Mr. Moller)	0
Mr. John Peel's Zodiac, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	0
Mr. Johnston's Border Raider, 10st 10lb.	(Owner)	0

Border Raider sprung into the lead at the start, but was overtaken by Algerine and Salem. Passing the stand the position, very close order was Salem, Algerine, Heather King, Zodiac, Border Raider. Salem increased his lead while going up the back stretch till he was three lengths ahead of the field. Up the incline, first of all the three foremost ponies lined out, with

about two lengths between them, and then Heather King closed up on Algerine in the second place. He still shot ahead, and when level with the Black Rock was challenging Salem for first place. Heather King took an over increasing lead down hill. Coronet Rose, one of the hindmost ponies when passing the football stand, had improved his position and towards the village wrestled the third place from Algerine. Entering the straight Heather King was about six lengths in front of Salem, and he won in a canter by ten lengths. Coronet Rose was third, about two lengths behind Salem. Time: 2 min. 23sec. Pari Mutual: Heather King, \$5.90; Salem, \$10.20; Coronet Rose, \$7.40; dividend, \$14.80.

HONGKONG DERBY.—One mile and a half. A sweepstakes of \$20 each with \$1,500 added. For China ponies griffins on date of entry. First pony, seventy per cent; second, twenty per cent; and third ten per cent.

Mr. John Peel's Cotswold, 11st 4lb. (Mr. Gresson) 1

Mr. G. H. Potts's Norman King, 11st 1lb. (Mr. Cumming) 2

Mr. Wingard's Halifax, 11st 1lb. (Mr. Moller) 3

Mr. N. Mumford's Fat 10st 9lb. (Mr. Gegg) 0

Mr. John Peel's Ledbury, 11st 4lb. (Mr. Johnston) 0

Mr. Buxey's Lamarque Rose, 11st 1lb. (Mr. Hayes) 0

Mr. G. H. Potts's Saxon King, 10st 9lb. (Mr. Vida) 0

Mr. Buxey's Empress of India Rose, 11st 4lb. (Mr. Alderton) 0

Considering the heavy condition of the ground, this was a splendid race, and caused much excitement. Cotswold got away in the start, followed by Norman King, who soon drew up and took a lead of about 20 lengths with Empress of India Rose in the third place. Cotswold again drew up going down the hill and ran side by side with Norman King, the remainder of the ponies drawing up close upon them. On passing the Judge's stand for the first time, Norman King fell into the van, Pat taking the second place and Cotswold falling behind. The field closed up on nearing the football stand and on the way to the incline Norman King gradually increased his distance until he led by some 20 lengths. Pat falling back into the field, and Halifax taking the second position. Cotswold now shot forward drawing close on Norman King while Halifax fell back into third position. Norman King and Cotswold came neck and neck up the straight at the gallop, the latter horse passing the judge's stand about a length ahead of Norman King, amidst enthusiastic cheering, while Halifax ran a bad third. The winner, as he rode past His Excellency's stand, was loudly cheered for his excellent race, and greeted with shouts of "Well done; Well done." Time 3.27.2/5.

The Pari Mutual paid, Cotswold, \$5.10; Norman King, \$5.40; Halifax, \$5.70; dividend \$10.80.

GERMAN CUP.—One mile and a quarter. Presented by members of the Club Germania; second, \$150; and third, \$50. For China ponies subscription griffins of this season. Entrance \$10.

Mr. G. H. Potts's Prairie King, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Cumming)	1
Mr. Mumford's Mick, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	2
Mr. A. E. Griffin's Sport Royal, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Alderton)	3
Mr. Buxey's The Gem Rose, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	0
Mr. Paul's Policy, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Moller)	0
Mr. Kleeblatt's The Leader, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Abel)	0
Mr. D. Macdonald's Highlander, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Mackie)	0
Mr. Johnston's K.O.S.B., 11st 1lb.	(Owner)	0
Mr. Carruthers' Black Monday, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Crickshank)	0
Mr. Meggie's Blackbird, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Vida)	0
Mr. Dryadust's Cake walk, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Robertson)	0

Mick took the lead at the start, being followed closely by Policy. Passing the stand for the first time the order was Mick, Policy, the Leader, Blackbird, The Gem Rose, with K.O.S.B., bringing up the rear. Mick continued to lead up the back stretch, when Blackbird drew out from the field into third place. Towards the rock Mick and Policy went neck and neck. Nearing the village Policy fell behind and Prairie King jumped into second place, in front of Blackbird. This was the order entering the straight. Prairie King beat Mick by a length, half a length separating Sport Royal from the latter. Time: 2 min. 54sec. Pari Mutual: Prairie King, \$7.50; Mick, \$6.90; Sport Royal, \$20; dividend, \$33.70.

GOLD COAST CUP.—Five furlongs. Presented by H.E. Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G.; second, \$100; and third, \$50. For China ponies. Previous winners at this meeting of one race 7 lbs. extra; of two or more races 10 lbs. extra. Griffins were allowed 5 lbs. Subscription griffins were allowed 10 lbs. Entrance \$10.

Mr. Johnston's Ca Canny, 10st 8lb.	(Mr. Johnston)	1
Mr. John Peel's Zodiac, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	2
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Somali, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Alderton)	3
Mr. Buxey's Marchal Niel Rose, 11st 7lb.	(Mr. Gegg)	0
Mr. Buxey's La France Rose, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	0
Mr. John Peel's Set, 11st 7lb.	(Mr. Crickshank)	0
Mr. W. G. Clarke's Alarm, 10st 9lb.	(Mr. Mackie)	0
Mr. Paul's Fisco, 10st 5lb.	(Mr. Vida)	0

Zodiac took up his position alongside the rail, while Fisco was on the outside. Marchal Niel Rose got away at the start, with Fisco and Zodiac running second place. Zodiac shot to the front towards the rock while Ca Canny drew out to Marchal Niel Rose for second place. Marchal Niel Rose drew level with the leader, Ca Canny following close behind. On entering the straight Zodiac led with Ca Canny second and Marchal Niel Rose third, Somali and Zodiac close behind. The gallop up to the

winning post saw Ca Canny pass first, Zodiac second and Somali third, about a length separating each horse. Time, 1.17.3/5.

The Pari Mutual paid: Ca Canny, \$5.10; Zodiac, \$4.60; Somali, \$11.10; dividend, \$10.60.

PROFESSIONAL CUP.—One mile. Presented by the Club Germania; second, \$100; and third, \$50. For griffins on the leader and Halifax drew into third place. Subscription griffins of this season were allowed 5 lbs. Previous winners were barred. Entrance \$10.

Mr. John Peel's Cromie, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	1
Mr. E. Owen's Grafton, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Gegg)	2
Mr. Buxey's Invincible Rose, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	3
Mr. Wingard's Esquima, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Moller)	0
Mr. G. H. Potts's Tascan King, 10st 9lb.	(Mr. Cumming)	0
Mr. G. H. Potts's Saxon King, 10st 9lb.	(Mr. Vida)	0
Mr. G. C. Moxon's Nomination, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Crickshank)	0
Mr. Dryadust's Royal, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Johnston)	0

Nomination took the position at rail, not Cromie, and then Invincible Rose. Esquima was on the outer course. It was a very good start. Passing the stand, Grafton was leading Saxon King second, and Nomination, Esquima and Invincible Rose in close order. Grafton increased his lead, till, rounding the bend to go up hill, he was fifteen to twenty lengths ahead of the field. Nomination took the second place from Saxon King, who soon afterwards fell into the rear, Esquima taking third place. Invincible Rose came on approaching the village, assuming a position second only to Grafton, the leader. Cromie secured second place entering the straight, and then, just at finish, shot in front of Grafton winning by half a length. One length separating Invincible Rose from the second pony. Time 2.9.4/5. Pari Mutual: Cromie, \$12.20; Grafton, \$12.80; Invincible Rose, \$6.80; dividend \$56.40.

CHALLENGE CUP.—One mile and three quarters. Value one hundred guineas. For China ponies. A forced entry of \$10 each, if optional to China ponies subscription griffins of this or previous seasons. To be won by years consecutively by a pony or ponies of bona fide property of the same owner or owners. Winner, \$500 and seventy per cent; second, \$300 and twenty per cent; and third, \$50 and ten per cent of the entrance fee until the Cup is finally won, when the second pony will receive 75 per cent, and third pony 25 per cent of the entrance fees.

Mr. J. H. Lewis's Aladdin, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Vida)	1
Mr. John Peel's Ardpatrick, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	2
Mr. Buxey's Rare Rose, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	3
Mr. Kingston's Little Momo, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Johnston)	0
Mr. John Peel's Polka, 11st 12lb.	(Mr. Johnston)	0
Mr. G. H. Potts's Scottish King, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Cumming)	0

The six starters got well away, Scottish King taking up the running by the rails. Aladdin shot to the front, Scottish King and Polka running neck and neck for second place. Ardpatrick, Rare Rose bringing up the rear, but on field bounded on going up the hill but on passing the village Polka shot out into second place, Little Momo taking the third. On passing the winning post for the first time the order was—Aladdin, 1, Scottish King, 2, Polka, 3. Aladdin having made the pace for the first round, still kept in the front. On passing the football stand Ardpatrick drew into third position, Aladdin leading with Scottish King hard on his track. The field again closed on approaching the rock, and on rounding the bend into the straight Aladdin came first, Ardpatrick second and Scottish King third. On the run home Ardpatrick shot into first position, but was outdistanced by Aladdin, who first passed the winning post with Ardpatrick a good second and Rare Rose about a length behind, third. Time: 4.4.

Pari Mutual payments were, Aladdin, \$6; Ardpatrick, \$5.50; Rare Rose, \$9; dividend \$56.

PAROS CUP.—From the two mile post once round and in. Presented by the Paros Company; second, \$350; and third, \$100; third, \$50. For China ponies subscription griffins of this season. Winner of the German Cup 10 lbs. extra. Other winners 7 lbs. extra. Entrance \$10.

Mr. D. Macdonald's Highland Chief, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Alderton)	1
Mr. Smith's Forward, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Ingles)	2
Mr. N. Mumford's Mick, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Gegg)	3
Mr. Meggie's Blackbird, 11st 5lb.	(Mr. Vida)	0
Mr. T. S. Forrest's Life, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	0

Mick, at the rails, rushed to the front, but was shortly overtaken by Fife. Passing the stand the order was Fife, leading; Blackbird and Mick level in the second place. Mick led right around the back stretch. Fife being a very close second. Forward fell a long way behind. Approaching the rock, Blackbird secured third place; and nearing the village Highland Chief second place. Forward here closed up. The order was the same entering the straight. A very good race ended in a win for Highland Chief by half a length; while Mick, third, was a length behind Forward. Time: 2 min. 35sec. Pari Mutual: Highland Chief, \$25.70; Forward, \$50.70; dividend, \$36.20.

Mr. Wingard's Halifax, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Cumming)	1
Nomination	(Mr. Moller)	2
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Cascade, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Alderton)	3
Mr. Buxey's Empress of India Rose, 11st 4lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	0
Mr. John Peel's Ledbury, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Crickshank)	0

Empress of India Rose took the lead at start, with Norman King second and Ledbury third. Norman King held a fine position at the rails. The order was the same passing the stand and around to the football pavilion, when Norman King gained somewhat on the leader and Halifax drew into third place. The Rose continued in front going up the incline, the ponies then being very close together. Shortly before reaching the village Norman King took the first place, and when entering the straight had left the field fully three lengths behind, Cascade was then second, a little in front of Empress of India Rose. Halifax took third place. Norman King won hands down by about six lengths, Halifax and Cascade fighting hard for second place. Many thought that it was a dead heat, but the judge decided that Halifax was slightly, a nose, in front of Cascade. Time: 2 min. 54sec. Pari Mutual: Norman King, \$7.30; Halifax, \$6.80; dividend, \$8.70.

RACING STAKES.—Three quarters of a mile. A sweepstakes of \$10 each with \$150 added. For China ponies subscription griffins of any season. Previous winners were barred. First pony, seventy per cent; second, twenty per cent; and third, ten per cent. Unplaced runners and jockeys who had never had a winning mount were allowed 5 lbs. Allowance accumulative.

Mr. G. H. Potts's Jungle King, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Cumming)	1
Mr. Buxey's Rose Mora Rose, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Hayes)	2
Mr. Werthly's The Spindle, 10st 10lb.	(Mr. Mackie)	3
Mr. John Peel's Berkeley, 10st 7lb.	(Mr. Gresson)	0
Mr. G. C. Moxon's Desperation, 10st 12lb.	(Mr. Crickshank)	0
Mr. W. Ingles' Eclipse, 10st 10lb.	(Mr. Ingles)	0
Mr. Kleeblatt's The Leader, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Abel)	0
Mr. A. V. Apcar's Cebu, 11st 4lb.	(Mr. Gegg)	0
Mr. D. Macdonald's Highland Laddie, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Rutherford)	0
Mr. Magpie's Soup Meat, 10st 11lb.	(Mr. Humphreys)	0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Grand Llama, 10st 11lb.	(Mr. Johnston)	0
Mr. T. S. Forrest's Lanark, 10st 10lb.	(Mr. Robertson)	0
Mr. Paul's Policy, 11st 1lb.	(Mr. Moller)	0
Mr. S. S. S's Pape not, 10st 10lb.	(Mr. Vida)	0

Fourteen ponies faced the starter and got well away with Soup Meat in the lead. Jungle King second and Cebu third. On going up the incline Jungle King and Soup Meat fell back with the field, which caught up on Cebu on passing the village, and entered the straight fairly packed. Cebu was the first to shoot out, but Jungle King and Rose Mora Rose and the Spindle came up and passed him, the former winning by a length and the latter running respectively second and third. Time: 1.36.

The Pari Mutual paid: Jungle King, \$32; Rose Mora Rose, \$13.80; The Spindle, \$12.20; dividend \$22.40.

Analysis of Owners for the first two days is as follows:—

Owner	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Mr. John Peel	2	4	1
Mr. Wingard	3	1	1
Mr. Buxey	3	3	5
Mr. N. Mumford	1	1	1
Mr. Johnston	1	1	—
Mr. J. H. Lewis	1	1	—
Mr. W. G. Clarke	1	—	—
Mr. D. Macdonald	1	—	—
Mr. Magpie	1	—	—
Mr. Paul	1	1	1
Mr. Werthly	1	1	1
Mr. E. Owen	1	—	—
Mr. F. B. Marshall	1	—	—
Mr. Medico	1	—	—
Mr. Smith	1	—	3
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie	1	—	1
H. E. The Governor	1	—	1
Mr. A. V. Apcar	1	—	1
Mr. G. C. Moxon	1	—	1
Mr. Dryadust	1	—	1
Mr. T. S. Forrest	1	—	1
Mr. A. E. Griffin	1	—	1

Analysis of Jockeys for the two days is as follows:—

Rider	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Mr. Cumming	6	4	1
Mr. Gresson	4	3	2
Mr. Moller	3	2	2
Mr. Hayes	3	2	5
Mr. Vida	2	2	1
Mr. Gegg	2	1	1
Mr. Johnston	1	2	3
Mr. Alderton	1	1	4
Mr. Leslie	1	—	—
Mr. Robertson	1	—	1
Mr. Mackie	1	—	1

Selections for to-day are:—

GRAND STAY STAKES.	
Empress of India	1
Saxon King	2
Ledbury	3
GOVERNOR'S CUP.	
Invincible Rose	1
Polka	2
Salem	3
LADIES' PURSE.	
Policy	1
Sport Royal	2
K. O. S. B. or Cebu	3
FLYAWAY STAKES.	
Lamarque Rose	1
Nomination	2
Haythrop	3
PHANTOM STAKES.	
Forward	1
Rose Mora Rose	2
Policy	3
CONSOLATION STAKES.	
Somali	1
Pipal	2
Ching	3
HONGKONG STAKES.	
Cakewalk	1
Forward	2
Black Monday	3
CHAMPION STAKES.	
Heather King	1
Ardpatrick	2
Polka	3

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INTERVIEW WITH STOESEL.

REASONS FOR SURRENDER.
The Daily Express received the following cable dispatch from its Nagasaki correspondent:—

"I was received to-day by General Stoessel, who granted me a special interview on the defence and surrender of Port Arthur. The General bore signs of the past eight months' strenuous work. The wound caused by a shrapnel, which struck him on the forehead, is still visible, though it has quite healed. Following the formal introduction, he spoke as follows:—

"After the bleak winter in the Kwantung peninsula, Japan seems like a summer garden. I am deeply sensible of the delicate courtesy which the Japanese have shown in their treatment of us.

"I have nothing to add to what I said in my last report to the 'Star,' explaining fully the reasons for the capitulation of Port Arthur, until I can report personally to his Majesty.

"I shall not re-enter the army in any capacity whatever until peace is declared, and neither will any of the other paroled officers. This is our unanimous interpretation of the parole. The exact wording of the terrible 'Wo, the undersigned, declare under oath not to lift arms, nor to act in any way against the interests of Japan until the very end of the present war.'

"Each officer followed his own inclination in the matter of parole. I distinctly discouraged any concerted action, leaving it to each officer to choose for himself the reasons for this being that each man was actuated by different motives. As a general rule the responsible commanding officers stuck to their men and chose imprisonment. Most of the naval officers also chose captivity, though many of them were probably induced by the fear of impending court-martial.

"It is understood that all the prisoners will continue to draw their pay. It is true that the Russian Government has promised that every month spent in Port Arthur shall count as a year's service, and that the Russian Government will pay the cost of the subsidiary motives for the long-continued defence of the fortress.

"The real power behind our defence was loyalty, and next to that the ardent hope of success. Until October we had great faith in the Baltic fleet would arrive to set us free, but then it became evident that we had nothing to expect from their assistance, and our final urgent requests for relief were never answered. The capitulation occurring on New Year's day was merely a coincidence. The loss of 203-Metre Hill, and the subsequent taking of Erlangen Fort by the Japanese, combined with the deadly marksmanship of the terrible death of General Kurshchensky, and the fearful increase in security, in reality fixed the time for capitulation beyond the possibility of prolongation.

"The final council of war which we held on the morning of January 1 was unanimously in favour of surrender. It is quite untrue that I dissented from the decision. We fought the Japanese extremely chivalrously, and of them all General Nogi himself was the most chivalrous."

"I told the General that the prevailing view in Japan was that he should have committed suicide on surrendering, but he laughed at this notion. He refused to discuss the various reports that are current as to friction between Generals Smirnov and Fock and the admiral, but he asked eagerly for news from Russia bearing on this similar question. He was silent concerning General Kuropatkin.

"The Standard's correspondent telegraphed:—According to Russian estimates, the force left in the Kwantung Peninsula, when it was besie

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the CITY HALL on FRIDAY, the 10th March, at 12.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 10th March, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. [524]

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1905. [523]

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GEORGE CUREY, Local Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1905. [357]

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1905. [438]

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THE BILBOU VARIETY ENTERTAINERS, including the IMPELIAL MIMOSCOPE, With Latest War Pictures, ON THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, FEB. 23rd, 24th and 25th at 8.30 p.m.

Prices: ... \$2 & \$1.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. [519]

WANTED.

ACCOUNTANT and CLERK for The Robinson Piano Co., Ltd., also one for Shanghai. Clear record necessary.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1905. [378]

SHORTHAND.

PRIVATE LESSONS given in Pitman's Shorthand. Terms moderate.

Apply by letter to—

"J. W.", P. Box 143.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [1200]

WANTED.

YOUNG Gentleman desires a situation as GENERAL OFFICE ASSISTANT. Has a thorough knowledge of Bookkeeping, Typewriting, and some experience of the Wine and Spirit trade, also speaks the Chinese Language fluently. Excellent references.

Apply to—

H. Caro of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [509]

FOR SALE.

ENGLISH PIANO.

Apply—

WARD ROOM, H.M.S. Vengeance.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. [518]

SUN FAT CO.

MANUFACTURERS and DEALERS IN LADIES' and CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR, EMBROIDERIES, LACES, SILKS, PONGERS, GRASS LINEN, SHAWLS, HANDKERCHIEFS, BLANKETS, TRUNKS, LEONY FURNITURE and FANCY GOODS, No. 82, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Any Order Promptly Attended To

Hongkong, 12th January, 1905. [22]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the HONOURABLE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, to sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 24th FEBRUARY, 1905, at 11 a.m., at the GOVERNMENT STORES, Wanchai, A QUANTITY OF OBSOLETE and CONDEMNED STORES.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1905. [500]

PUBLIC AUCTION OF FINE ART CURIOS AND SILK EMBROIDERIES.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 27th FEBRUARY, 1905, and TUESDAY, the 28th FEBRUARY, 1905, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, A MAGNIFICENT COLLECTION OF JAPANESE ART CURIOS AND SILK EMBROIDERIES, comprising—

OLD TEMPLE BROCADES and BROCADED PRIESTS ROBES; FINE SILK EMBROIDERED WORKS OF ART, such as HANGINGS (Landscapes, Floral Designs, Birds, &c.), MANTLE DRAPERIES; BED-Spreads, TABLE COVERS, KIMONOS, CURTAINS, SCREENS, &c.; VERY FINE DAMASCENE WARE—CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES, MATCH, JEWELRY and POWDER BOXES, CARD CASES, UMBRELLA HANDLES, BUTTONS, &c.

CHOICE SILVERWARE—JEWELRY and POWDER BOXES, VASES and BOWLS, &c.

FINELY EXECUTED GOLD LACQUERED SCREENS, BOXES and STANDS, RED and BLACK LACQUERED CABINETS, TABLES and CHAIRS; OLD BRONZE VASES, FINE SATSUMA and IMARI WARE, CUT VELVET PICTURES (Silk) and a Variety of other CURIOS.

TERMS:—As usual.

The Collection will be on Exhibition from Wednesday, the 22nd February.

Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1904. [469]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,) on TUESDAY, the 2nd MARCH, 1905, at 3 p.m., at AN KING'S SHIPWAY, Wanchai, The Cruising Yacht "IONA".

Length Water Line 35 ft. 6 in.; Breadth 8 ft. Depth 3 ft. 9 in.; Sail area 600 Square feet.

This Yacht will be sold ready for sea with all SPARE GEAR, CABIN FITTINGS, CUTLERY, PLATES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [511]

INTIMATIONS

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at 11.45 a.m. TO-DAY (THURSDAY), the 23rd instant.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [47]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-DAY (THURSDAY), the 23rd instant, at 11.45 a.m.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [487]

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED, Alexandra Buildings.

TO-DAY (THURSDAY), the 23rd instant, ALL DEPARTMENTS will be CLOSED at 1 p.m.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED, Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [493]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1905.

TO-DAY (THURSDAY), and SATURDAY (OFF-DAY), 23rd and 24th FEBRUARY.

TICKETS OF ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Mr. K. L. VALSH, L.D., or at the Gate. Price \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or \$3 per day. Tickets for the Off-Day, \$2.

No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1905. [490]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 23rd and 24th instant.

A Stand and an Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which will be sent out with the Members' Tickets after WEDNESDAY, 15th instant.

All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1905. [491]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SILVER BRAD and BUTTONS, CERISE CAP are withdrawn from the Forthcoming Meeting.

Ponies starting from the "JOHN PEEL" Stable will, by permission of the Stewards, carry the Colours "ALL PURPLE".

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [506]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AT THE REGIMENTAL SPORTS, 93rd Burma Infantry, to be held on the KOWLOON PARADE GROUND on the 4th March, 1905, beginning at 3.30 p.m. there will be the following open events:—

(1) 100 Yards open to Commissioned Officers of the Navy and Army and Members of the Hongkong Club.

(2) 1 Mile open to Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of the Navy and Army (British Troops).

(3) 1 Mile open to Native Troops.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. [517]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on TUESDAY, the 28th FEBRUARY, 1905, at 4 p.m., in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes, viz:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1904.

2. To elect a New Committee.

3. To discuss and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution:—That the Committee be authorized to write to the Government requesting that before entering into any arrangements with the United Kingdom, India, or the Colonies, which may affect freedom of action in trade matters within the limits of this Colony, His Excellency the Governor will be good enough to direct that details of any proposed legislation be forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce, as representative of the Community at large, or that "section of it which may be affected by the proposed agreement, or agreements, may be given an opportunity of expressing their views on the subject."

4. To transact any general business.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [508]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LD.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the General Managers, St. George's Building, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1905, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1904, declaring a Dividend and Electing a Sitting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, 24th February, until Wednesday, 8th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [479]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, 2nd Floor, on MONDAY the 6th day of March 1905, at 11.30 a.m. to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1904 and a Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Sitting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 29th February to the 6th March, both days inclusive.

J. K. MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905. [414]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in a Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 8th March, at 10 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th instant, to the 31st proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

C. PEMBERTON, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1905. [415]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE Dividend declared for the half year ending 31st December, 1904, at the rate of One Pound Sterling per Share of \$125 is Payable on and after MONDAY, the 20th day of February, current, at the Office of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [499]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 12% per Share and ending 31st December, 1904, declared at the Ordinary Meeting of the Company, on 21st January, 1905, will be Payable at the Premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 21st February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [510]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Shares in respect of which the Final Call of \$7.50 per Share has not been paid will, unless the same together with Interest, secured and accruing thereon be paid at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 28th February, 1905, be liable to be forfeited.

Dated the 8th January, 1905.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905. [507]

INSURANCES

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st December, 1903, £16,338,650.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £20,000,000

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... £7,500,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL... £3,500,000

FREE FUNDS... £5,338,650

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1904. [1838]

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO AND LONDON.

INCORPORATED A.D. 1851.

MARINE BRANCH.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above are prepared to accept risks at current rates.

ALEX. ROSS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong 23rd April, 1904. [132]

LUNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept risks against Fire at current rates.

SIMMONS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [31]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LA-CHAPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [181]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. G. I. LANDERS

"GLENWOOD," 27, GAYNE ROAD, Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [2265]

PENSION FRANCAISE AND RESTAURANT.

49, POTTINGER STREET, TENUE PAR MME. I. GUIOU.

FIRST-CLASS COOKING BY A FRENCH COOK. Terms: \$3.50 per day. Reduced Terms for an Extended Stay. Hongkong, 13th January, 1905. [23]

"TANG YUEN" BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.

European Supervision. Excellent Cuisine and Accommodation. Apply—MANAGERESS, Macdonnell Road.

FAIRALL & CO., Queen's Road Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [51]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board. Apply to Mrs. MATHER, 2 Peddars Hill.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1892.

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

WE have Secured the Services of, and have admitted Mr. JOSE MARIA VIEIRA a Partner in our Firm from the 10th February, 1905.

VIEIRA & CO., General Merchants and Commission Agents, 50 & 52, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 16th February, 1905. [475]

MY INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITIES in the Firm of MOOSA E. VIEIRA & CO., ceased as from the 10th February, 1905. See above intimation.

JOSE MARIA VIEIRA, Hongkong, 16th February, 1905. [476]

NOTICE.

WE have This Day admitted Mr. J. C. KITZMANTL as Partner in our Firm.

GROSSMANN & CO., Hongkong, 21st February, 190

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

ANGHIM, German str., 10.1. F. J. Schaefer, 21st Feb., Bangkok 14th Feb., Rice and Wood.—Butterfield & Swire.
 DERWENT, British str., 2046, Jenkins, 22nd Feb., Saigon 18th Feb., General—Chinese.
 FRI, Norwegian str., 890, N. Anderson, 22nd Feb., Wakamatsu 15th February, Coal.—Angard, Thorsen & Co.
 FRITHJOF, Norwegian str., 691, H. A. Haraldsen, 22nd Feb., Tamsui, Amoy and Swatow 21st Feb., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
 HAICHING, British str., 1367, A. E. Hodgins, 22nd Feb., Foochow 12th Feb., Amoy 20th and Swatow 21st, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
 KING LOBERT, British str., 2514, Saunders, 22nd Feb., Penarth 12th Dec., Coals.—Doddwell & Co.
 KWANGLEE, Chinese str., 1474, R. Lincoln, 22nd February, Shanghai 19th February, General—Chinese.
 LOONGSONG, German str., 22nd Feb., from Canton.
 PROGRESS, German str., 682, F. Bremer, 21st February, Bombay Reef 19th February, Ballast—Gillman & Co.
 SZECHUEN, British str., 21st February, from Canton.
 YATHING, British str., 22nd February, from Canton.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
 22nd February.
 Italian, French str., for Hoihow.
 Norwegian, French str., for Saigon.
 Swedish, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

21st February.
 CHOWANG, British str., for Shanghai.
 HONGKONG, French str., for Hoihow.
 JACOB DIERICKSEN, German str., for Hoihow.
 KOWLOON, German str., for Canton.
 LAHMAN, British str., for Calcutta.
 TALHMAN, British str., for Koba.
 TEAN, British str., for Manila.
 22nd February.
 BUCENTRA, British str., for Colombo.
 CARL DIERICKSEN, German str., for Hoihow.
 HONGKONG, British str., for Shanghai.
 MARQUIN BACQUHEM, German str., for Shanghai.
 OCEANIC, French str., for Shanghai.
 RACE, Norwegian str., for Koba.
 SHAOHUNG, British str., for Shanghai.
 WONGUNG, British str., for Shanghai.
 YATHING, British str., for Foochow.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German str. Anghim reports: Fine weather, but little foggy.
 The Chinese str. Kwanglee reports: Fine to Lamook; thence to port thick fog.
 The British str. Derwent reports: Light southerly wind and fine clear weather, sea smooth.
 The British str. Haiching reports: Foochow to Amoy had moderate to light wind and heavy weather. Amoy to Swatow similar weather. Swatow to port dense fog, calm and smooth sea.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

Feb. 3, British str. Hikal, from Port Natal for Hongkong.
 Feb. 3, British str. Lothian, from Port Natal for Hongkong.
 Feb. 3, British str. Islander, Wright, Feb. 1, from Singapore for Christmas Island.
 Feb. 5, British str. Anconis, Salter, Jan. 10, from Hongkong for Anjer.
 Feb. 6, British str. Gaelic, Beadwill, Feb. 6, from Batavia.
 Feb. 7, British str. Shizala, Brown, Dec. 30, from London for Batavia.
 Feb. 7, Italian cruiser from East.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

22nd February.
 ARRIVEMENT DOCK.—Eugene.
 Kowloon Dock.—Katharina Park, Din, Kaifong, H.M.S. Murchison, Teikou, Teikou, German str., H.M.S. Otter, H.M.S. Glory, Oscar II, Empress of Japan.
 COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Machew.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.
 Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TAWAU, LAHAD DATU, LABUAN, JOLO, ZAMBOANGA AND MENADO.
 THE Company's Steamship.

"BORNEO."

Captain E. Mule, will be ready to load for the above ports on the 22nd inst.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
 MELCHERS & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [427]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.
 THE Company's Steamship.

"HAICHING."

Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at 10 A.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1905. [520]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
 IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
 JAPAN—CHINA—AUSTRALIA.

FOR BRISBANE AND SYDNEY, VIA NEW GUINEA.

THE Steamship.

"PRINZ SIGISMUND."

Captain D. Lenz, will be ready to load for the above places on MONDAY, the 6th March.
 This Steamer is especially fitted for Passengers and is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
 A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
 MELCHERS & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [512]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Underigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPT. PERRY every fortnight.
 For Freight and further particulars, apply to
 DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.
 General Agents for China and Japan.
 Hongkong, 4th August, 1904.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into 4 Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and the vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.
3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & NO.	PORT	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 1st Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	LODMEN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	STENTON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAISOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	CALABRONEN	Fre. str.	—	Gregory	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 7th Mar., at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG	REHMANIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 18th Mar.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	SACHSEN	Ger. str.	—	Feyen	MELCHERS & CO.	On 18th Mar., at Noon.
HAVRE, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 8th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ALBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 1st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SILVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Knecht	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 4th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 18th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	PALODIUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ALCIBIOUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th April.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PHENIA	Aus. str.	—	Craglietto	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 27th inst., p.m.
ODessa	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	RICHMOND CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 8th Mar., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHEMIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 15th Mar.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	PINGBURY	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Mar.
PORTLAND, OREGON	PLAIDES	Brit. str.	—	F. G. Purington	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 15th Mar.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ARAGONIA	Brit. str.	—	Schuldt	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 5th Mar., at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	Ellis	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 11th Mar., at Noon.
BRISBANE & SYDNEY, VIA NEW GUINEA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	D. Lees	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Mar.
ROBE	F. SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.
TIENTSIN VIA SWATOW	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	KANGU	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	KALGAN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SHANGHAI	PAOTING	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI	MAIZA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 25th inst.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	TRUMP	Ger. str.	—	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 1st Mar., at Daylight.
TAMBU, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	FRITHJOF	Ger. str.	—	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	B. BJORNSEN	Ger. str.	—	Hodgins	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 5th Mar., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	HAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	—	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
MANILA	CHIRIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
MANILA	LOONGSONG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	LUZON	Brit. str.	—	—	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 25th inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	ZAYBO	Brit. str.	—	R. W. Almond	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 4th Mar., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	—	E. V. Roberts	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 27th Mar.
CEBU & ILOILO	KAIPOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	To-day.
BATAVIA, CHERIDON SAMARANG, &c.	SILANGAP	Brit. str.	—	Koep	MELCHERS & CO.	About 1st Mar.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	E. Mule	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE & SOUBAHAYA	AMARA	Brit. str.	—	—	DAVID SASSON & CO., LD.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	CATHERINE AFAR	Brit. str.	—	A. Stewart	DAVID SASSON & CO., LD.	On 28th inst., at 3 p.m.

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SUEVIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 4th April. Freight.
SILESIA	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 18th April. Freight & Passenger.
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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
SACHSEN	1st March
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PRINZ HEINRICH	12th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	26th April
PRUSSEN	10th May
ROON	24th May
BAYERN	7th June
ZIETEN	21st June
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PLELADFS	3,753	F. G. Purington	Wednesday, March 15th
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STEAMERS.	LEAVING
TAMU, VIA SWATOW	"FRITHJOF" SUNDAY, 26th Feb., at Daylight.
AND AMOY	H. A. Haraldsen
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	"TRUMP" WEDNESDAY, 1st Mar., at Daylight.
AND AMOY	A. Hansen
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AND AMOY	C. Olsen

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GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL...	"ALYENOR"	On 7th March.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL...	"PYRRHUS"	On 14th March.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL...	"MACHAON"	On 14th March.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL...	"ALCIBADES"	On 18th March.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL...	"DAENE"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL...	"KAISOW"	On 21st March.
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